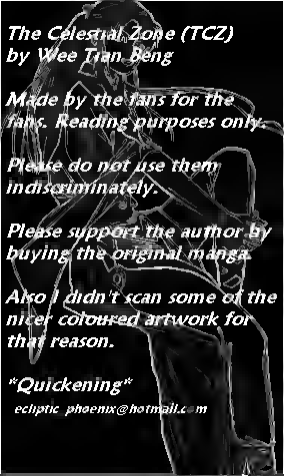
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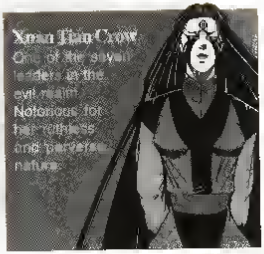
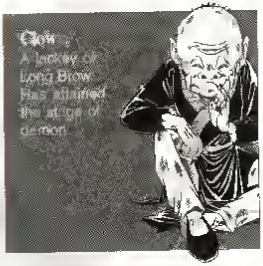
A roving
taoist
physician.


Xuan Tian Crow
One of the survivi
leaders in the
evil realm.
Notorious for
her ruthless
and perverse
nature.

Xue Wu
Servant of Yang
Chan. Tends to
be extreme
and competi-
tive.


Clow
A lackey of
Long Blow.
Has attained
the status of
demon.

Chi Xue
Her cold
exterior hides
an evil heart.
Details evil.
Nicknamed
"Destroyer of
Evil."

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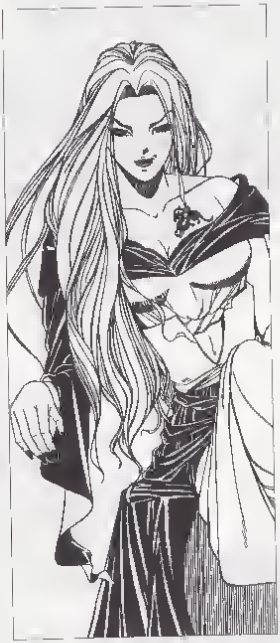


Recapturing...

The sinister Jade Rabbit had been hunting down children with the help of the Yimu Tribe. By feeding on children's souls, she would be well on her way to mastering Mind-Manipulation!

Chi Xue the Destroyer of Evil finally appeared. Her astonishing prowess wiped out many evil creatures. Upon meeting Chi Xue, Xing Ling was amazed by the former's tender age and impressed by her terrific skills.

Wang Chan and gang got acquainted with a roving trainee physician, Danian Chuyi, during their search for the missing children.

While watching over some children, the hapless Xing Ling was ambushed by an evil spirit, Long Brow, and his two lackeys. Xing Ling scurried off after a weak attempt to fight them. The gap between the celestial beings and her was even more glaring than ever. After much musing, she realised that the weak can overcome the strong. Armed with her new-found confidence, she confronted one of Long Brow's lackeys with her improved skills.

Quickening

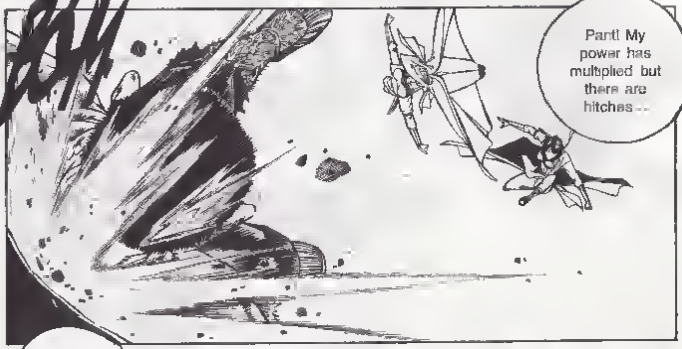
Thanks for reading TCZ!
Please buy the original manga!

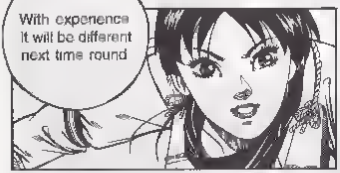
Mt E-mei 3 137 metres above sea level, is situated at the south-west of E-mei County in Sichuan. Its name comes from the description "long, thin, delicate, beautiful brows" (E mei)

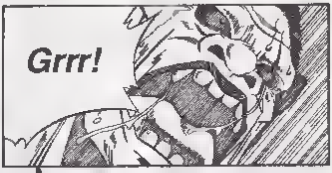
Legend has it that deep in the lofty mountain is a place full of a vibrant aura, shaped by the long-standing accumulation of natural elements.
It is said that this aura manifests itself once in every 100 years.

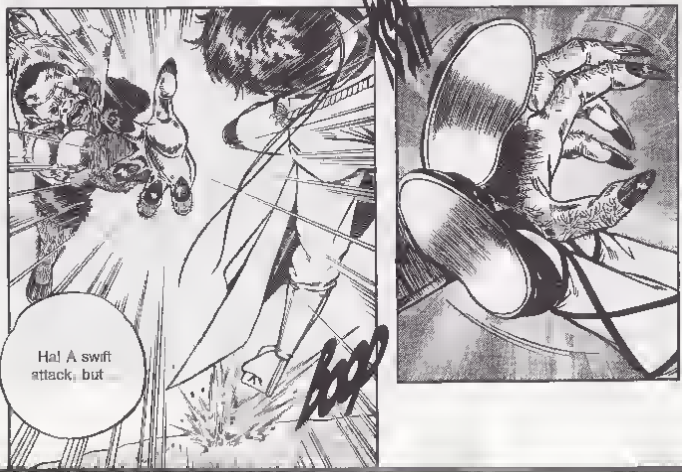
THE BATTLE OF
XING LING

Relax! This is only a test!
BOOM
BOOM


Pant! My power has multiplied but there are hitches...

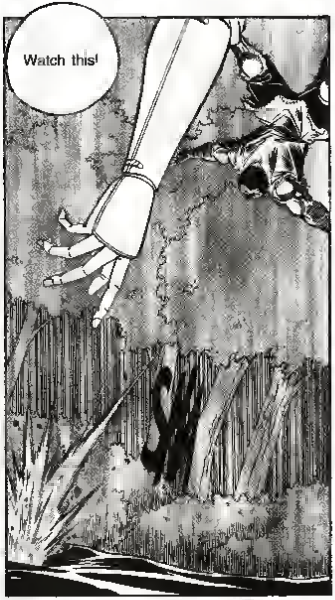

With experience it will be different next time round


Grrr!

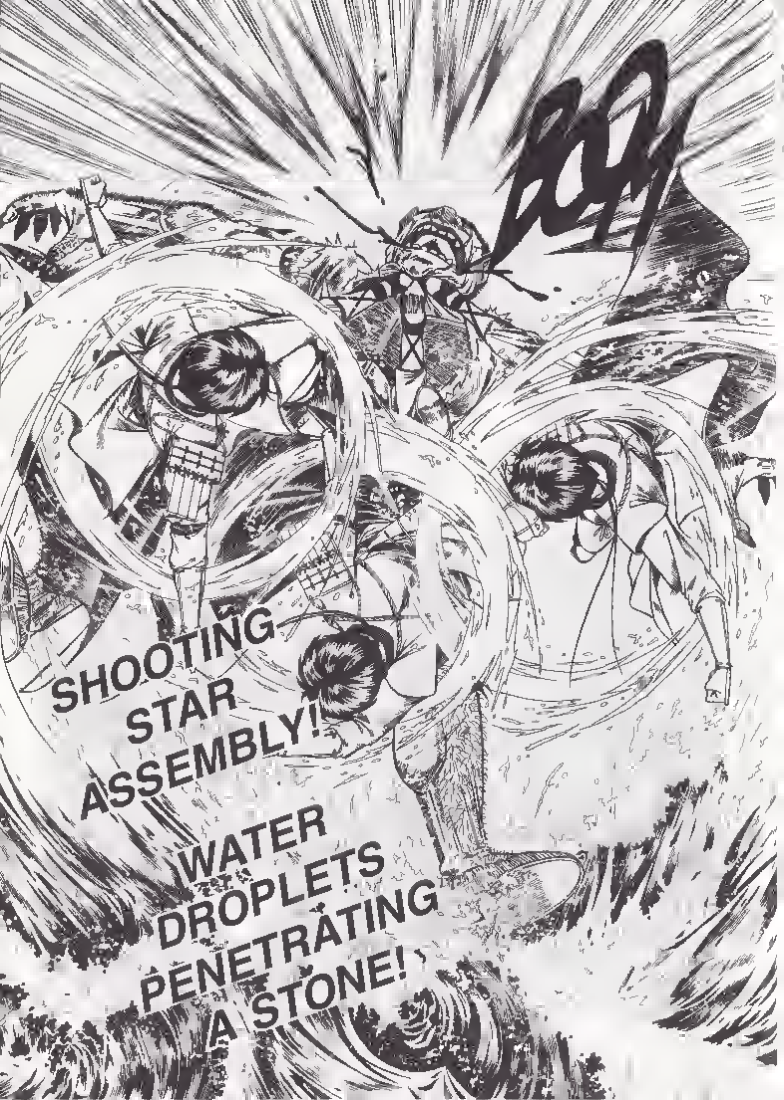

Ha! A swift attack, but...

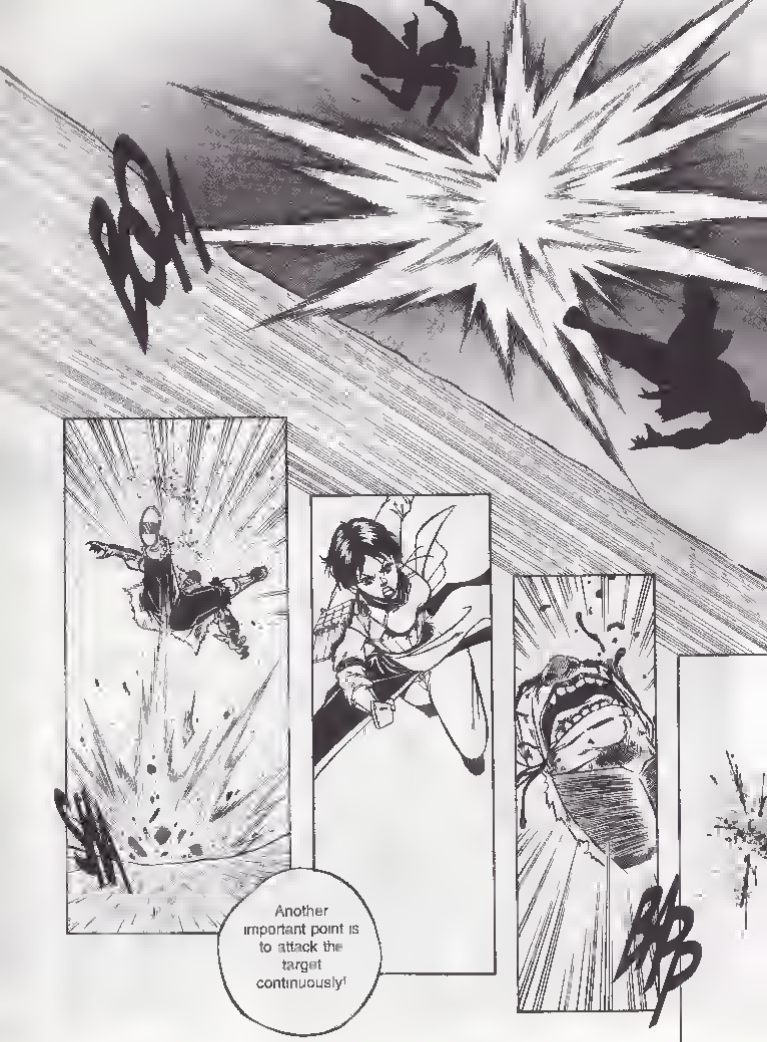
SHOOTING STARS
IN THE HORIZON!

Full of flaws!
TIGH


Watch this!
SHA

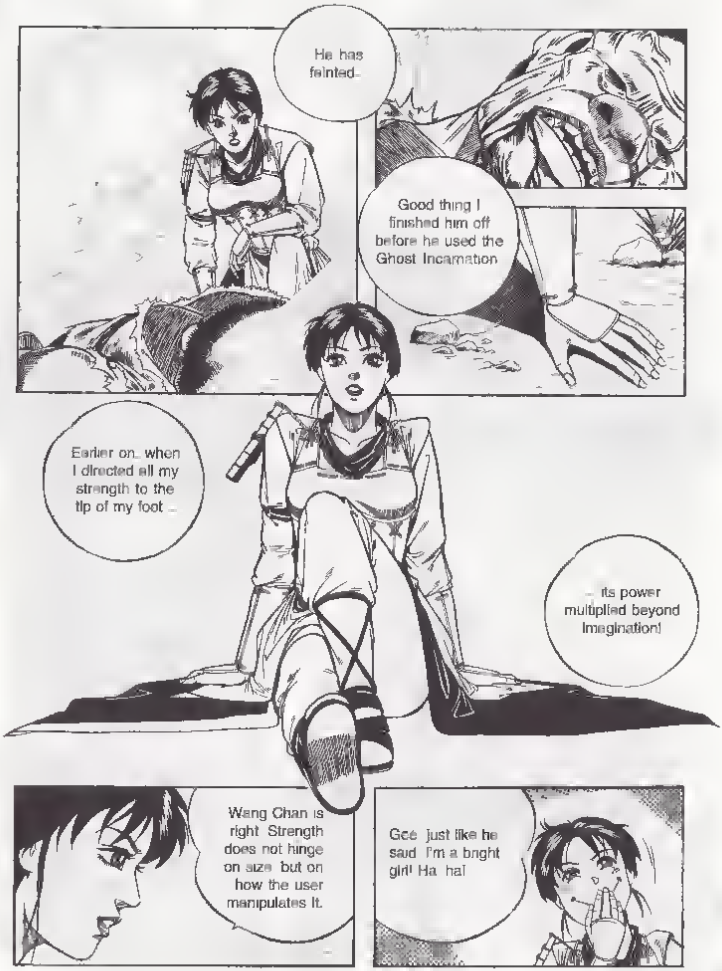
Now, it's for real!
SHOSH


BOOM
SHOOTING STAR ASSEMBLY!
WATER DROPLETS PENETRATING A STONE!

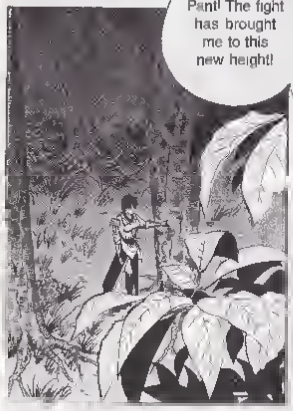

BOH
Another important point is to attack the target continuously!

Second stroke!
Now the third!

BRP
FLOOP
SHUK


He has fainted..
Good thing I finished him off before he used the Ghost Incarnation
Earlier on.. when I directed all my strength to the tip of my foot ..
.. its power multiplied beyond imagination!
Wang Chan is right Strength does not hinge on size but on how the user manipulates it.
Gee just like he said I'm a bright girl! Ha ha!

No no! Stop this nonsense or I'll get complacent!
But I feel so... good! Hee, hee!
Hey! I told you to stop dreaming!
She's going crazy with joy!



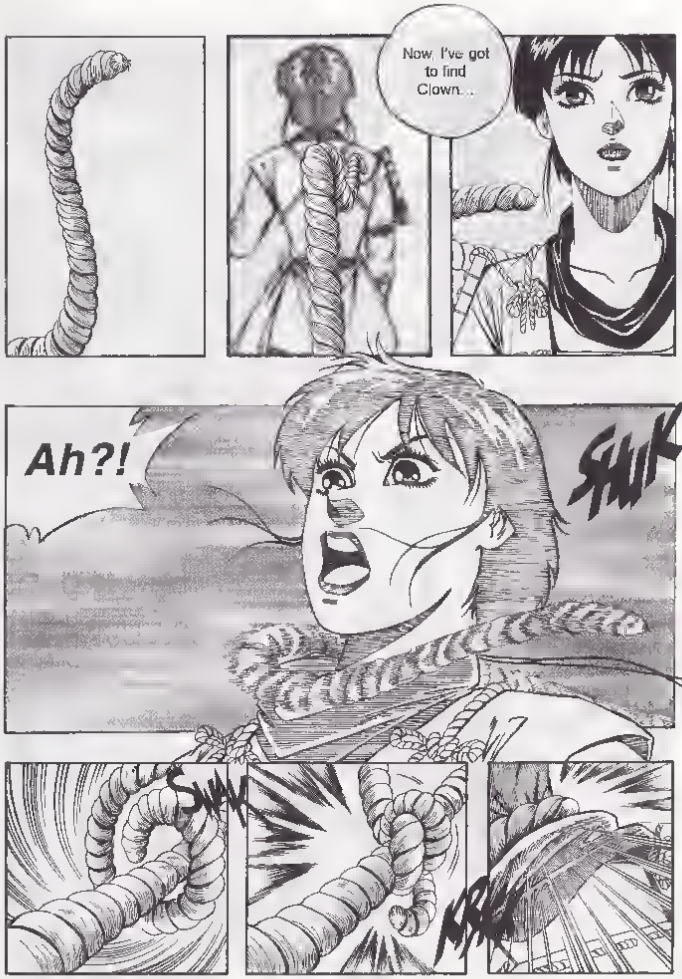
Xing Ling's strategy.

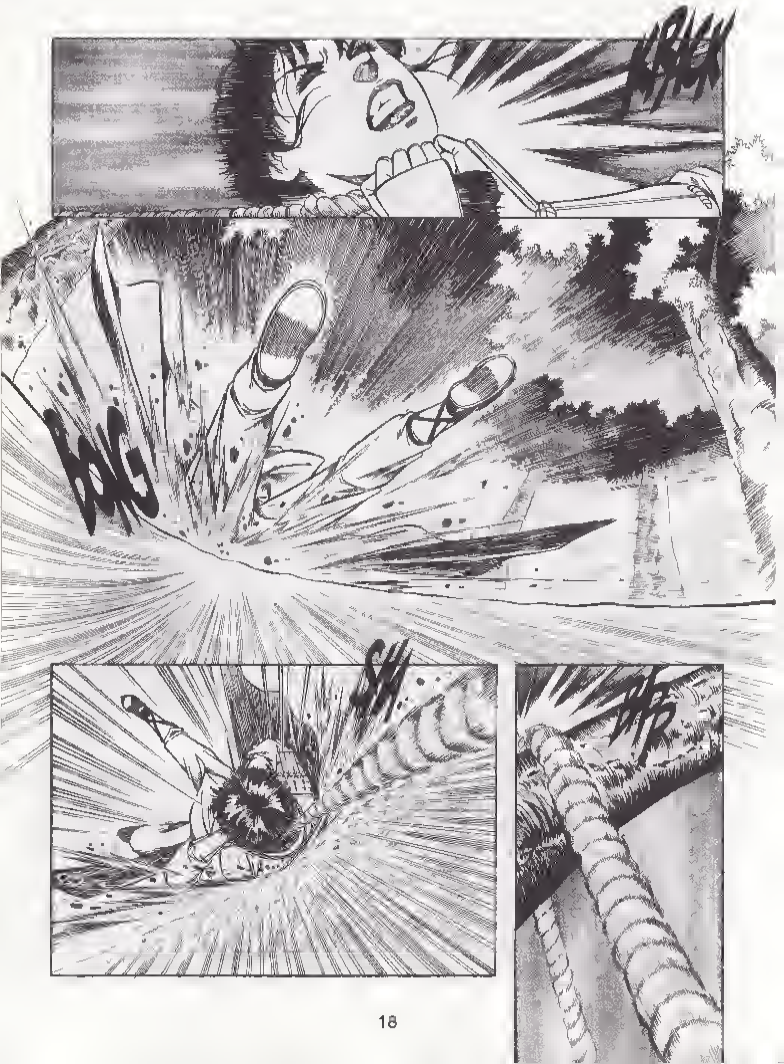
Step One: First defeat the weakest Dimwit

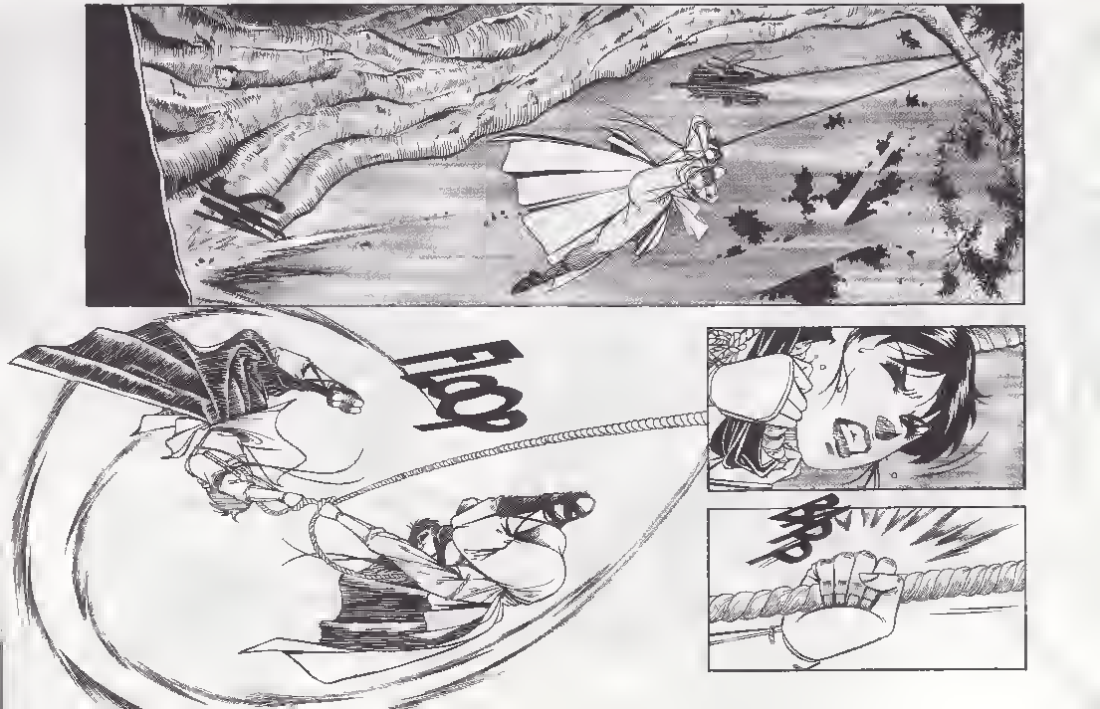
Step Two: Spring an attack on the more powerful Clown

Step Three: Then with all her might plus trickery (haven't thought of any yet) defeat the old imp!

Step Four: Rescue the kids!
Happy Ending!

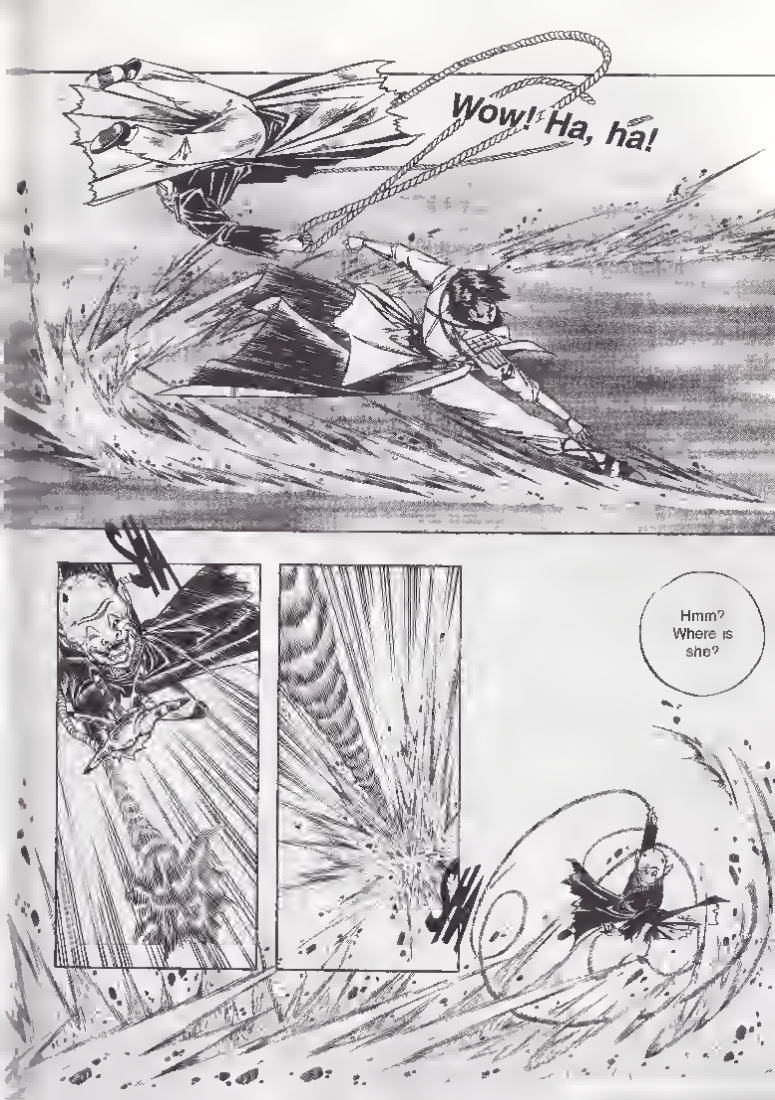

Now I've got to find Clown...
Ah?!
SHUK
SHUK

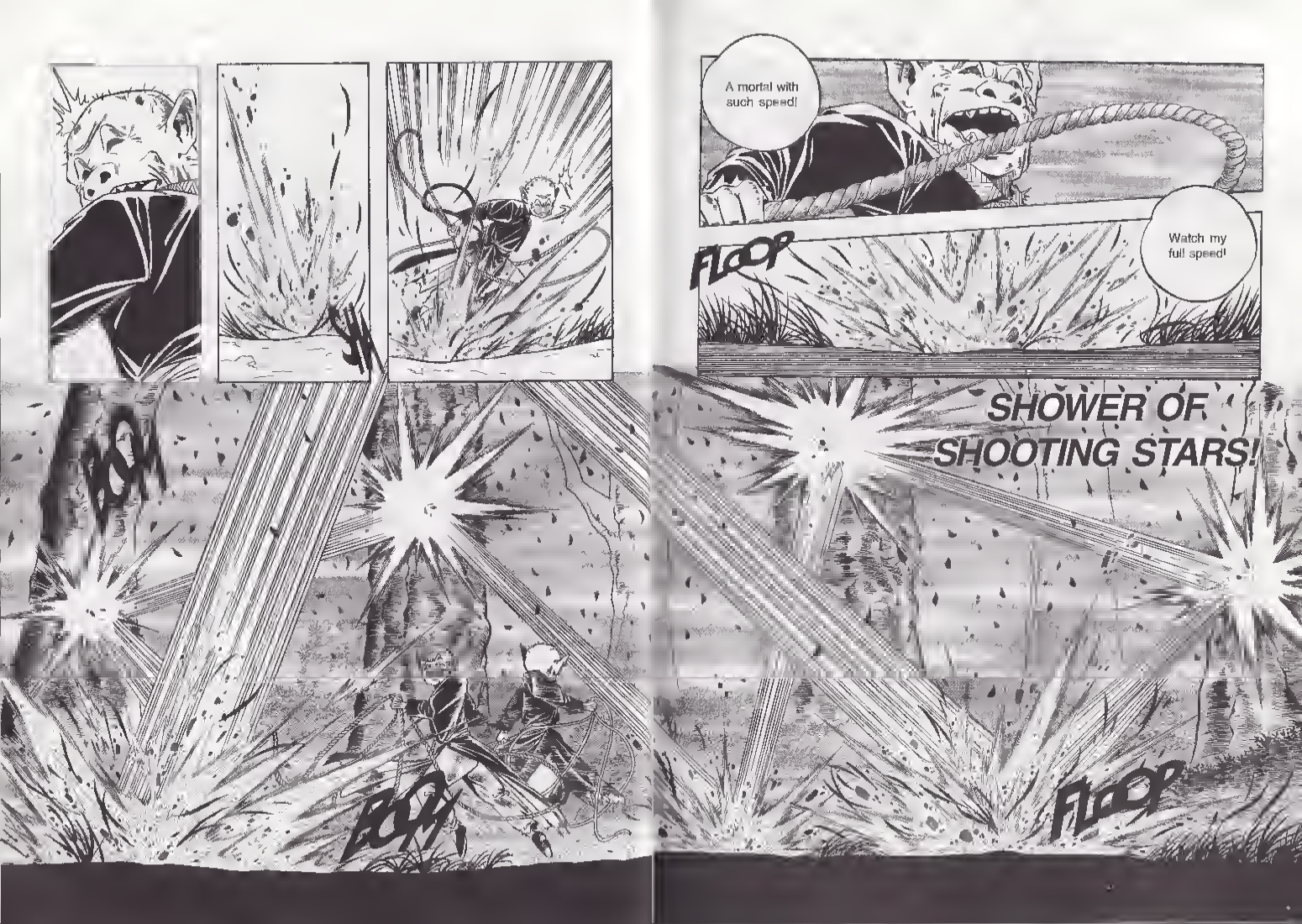

CRACK
BOING
SHH
WHR


FLOP

Rats! How come things are not working according to my plan?
Lass, you're agile No wonder you could knock Dimwit out.
Ha! Interesting!

Now I shall test your speed!
SWOOSH
Fine. Don't blink!
SHK


Wow!
Ha, ha!
Hmm? Where is she?


A mortal with such speed!
Watch my full speed!
FLOOP
SHOWER OF SHOOTING STARS!
FLOOP
BOW
BOW

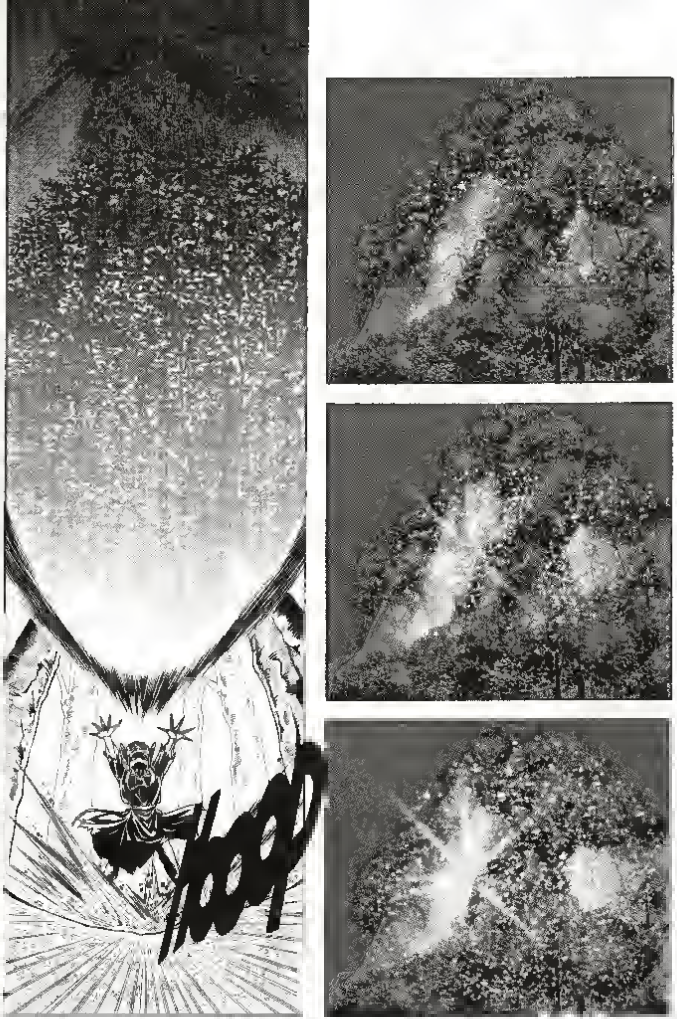
SWOOSH
DEMONIC COMBINATION!
SHOOTING STAR ASSEMBLY!

BOOM
Ouch!
Wow! Such strong vibration! It has numbed my legs!
Shoo! Quick! Quick!

Shoo
Ah! She wasn't using any special strength!
But how come she is so powerful?
Damn! Her kick was swift! I only had time to summon 4/10 of my strength!
To think this wretch has hurt me with her flying kick!
That'll be dreadful!
Hey She's dangerous ! Better get rid of her before she masters special powers!

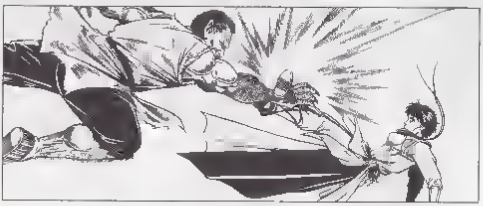
Hee hee! I'm sorry, lass. I have to be ruthless!
Ah! No more pins and needles!
DEMONIC COMBINATION
Oh no! This is terrible! Better hide!
Hey, feeling sorry now? Too late!

Cheep, cheep, this is fun!
DEMONIC WAVE!


Hoop!

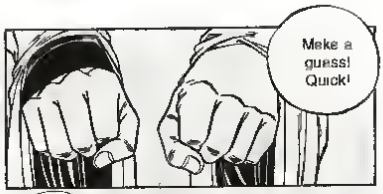
BOM

Quickening



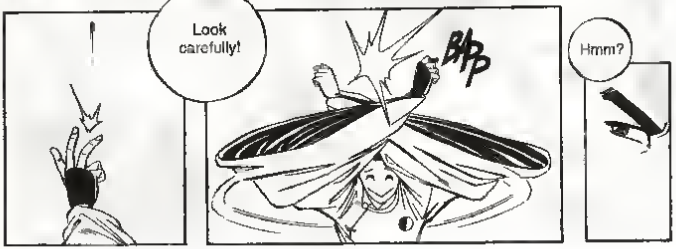
QIONG QI
PEAK

Where's Xing Ling?
Nowhere in sight. Perhaps the children have come round and she's taking them to Wei Qi.
Let's go meet Wei Qi then.
Hope everything is fine.


Make a guess! Quick!

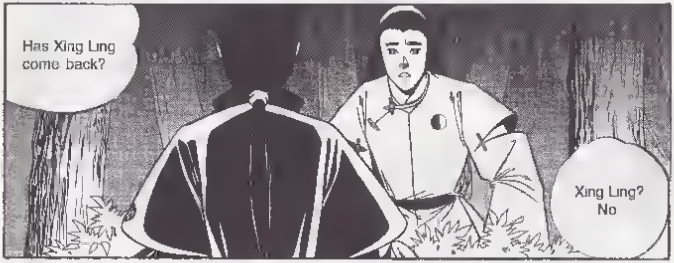
This hand!

Ha! Wrong again! It's here!
Shucks!
One more time!

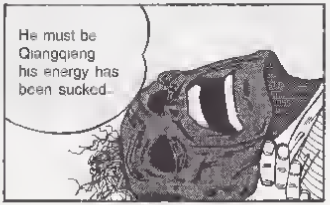

Look carefully!
BAP
Hmm?

It's us! Qi come here

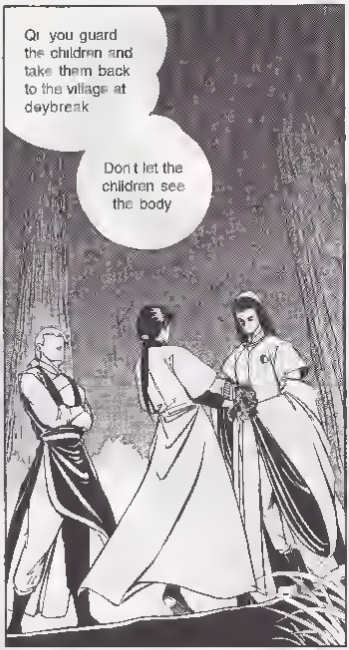
What's up?


Has Xing Ling come back?
Xing Ling? No

Ah!! This


He must be Qiangqiang his energy has been sucked

The other children and Xing Ling
We found them but now they re missing again


Qi you guard the children and take them back to the village at daybreak
Don t let the children see the body

Don't worry

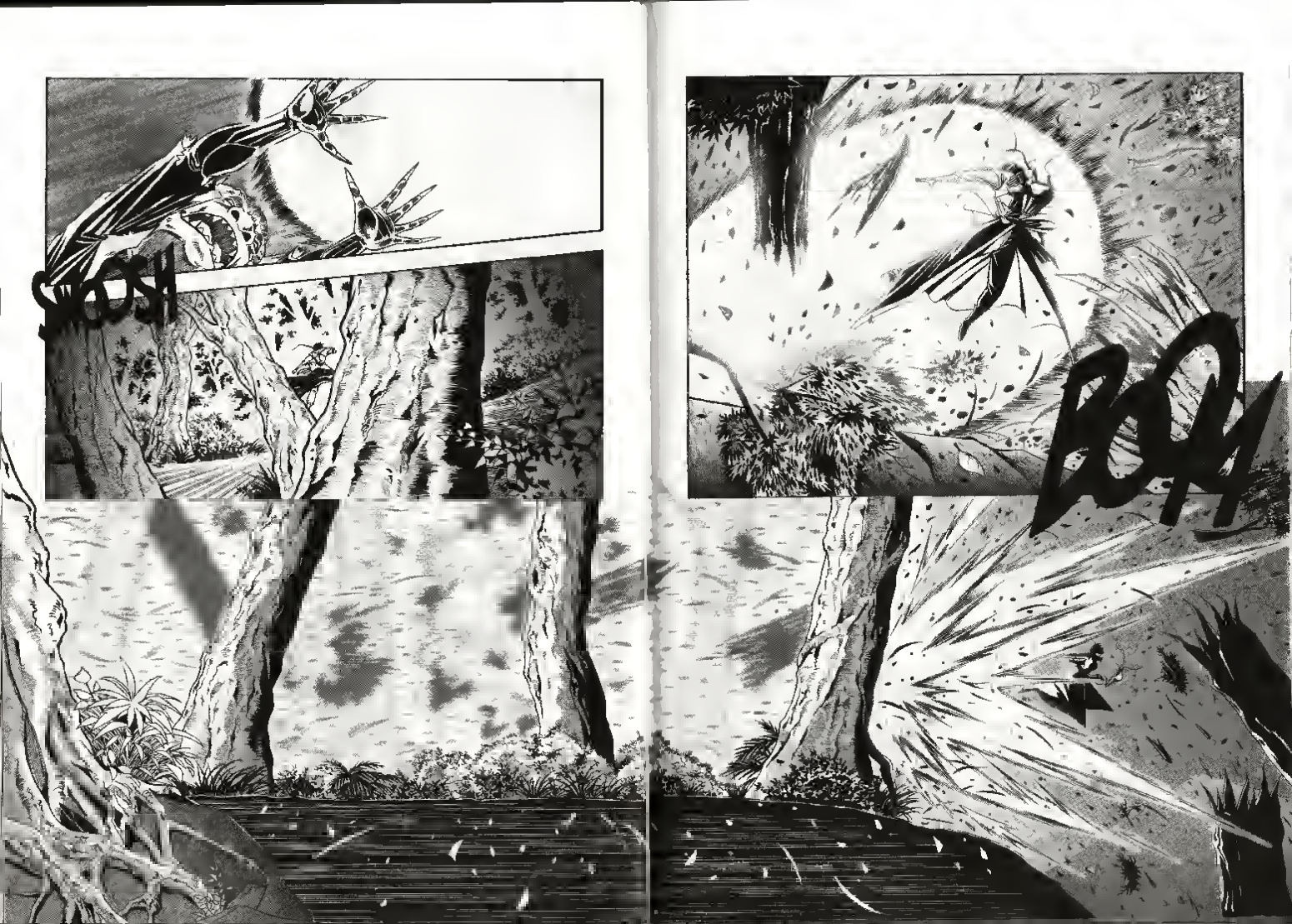
Sigh

Chan, don't worry
Perhaps Xing Ling and the children have lost their way in the woods
Perhaps they'll return to the village at dawn
I hope so But...
Senior Wu let's split up and search again
Or whatever the outcome, let's assemble at the open space up ahead tomorrow noon
OK. Take care

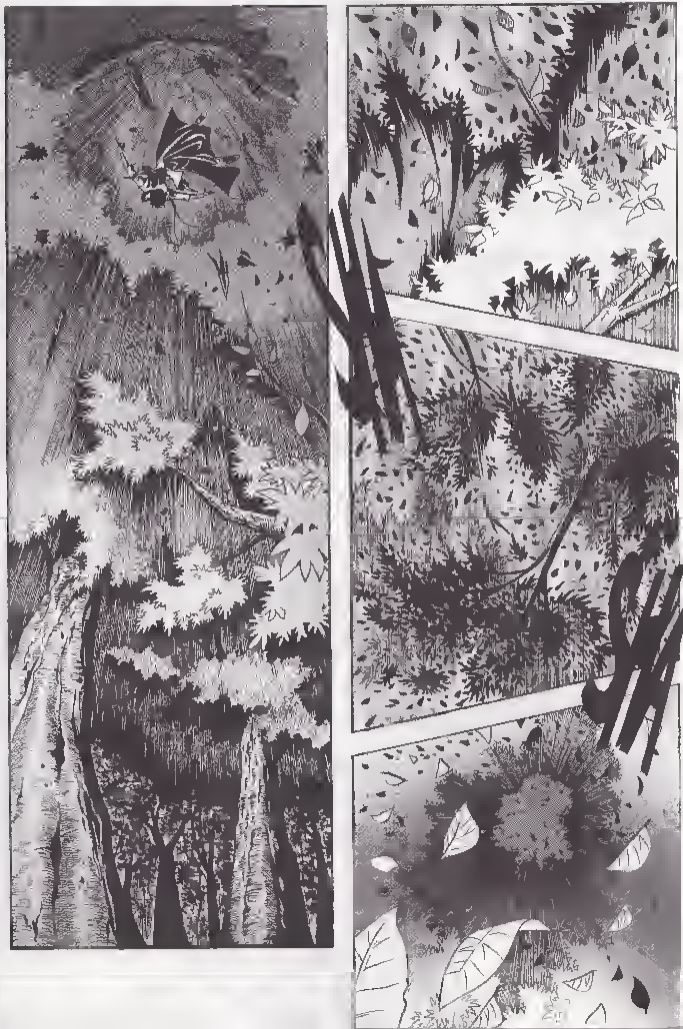
Xing Ling, nothing must happen to you...
Why do I have this foreboding?
The situation in the Celestial Zone is chaotic and perilous
I shouldn't have involved her in this battle
It's my fault

I'm sorry, Xing Ling

DEMONIC WAVE!
SHUK


SWOOSH
BOOM

I was so naive
How can I possibly defeat them?
But I've done my best...
Chan children I'm sorry



All this rotten wood has obstructed the full power of my blow!
And the trees beneath will reduce the impact of her fall.
I'll make a trip down to ensure she's dead!

SWOOSH
WAH

WOOP
SKOSH
KSSH

Sigh
I wonder why I brought them back. They're a noisy bunch!
Oh well... I've gained after all
A gain is good... Ho ho!

Wei Qi, sorry I'm late. How is it going?
We returned to the village this morning...
...and waited till noon. But there was no sign of Xing Ling and the kids
This bodes ill... Wei Qi this is...
Oh yes, you've yet to meet her. Chan and I met her while looking for the kids
My name is Chuyi*. I'm a vagrant physician. Glad to meet you!

** This means first day*

Chuyi? A unique name!
Chuyi overheard us last night
Being concerned too, she offered her help
Good to have a physician around, but beware,
I will
Don't worry I'll keep an eye on her
Xue Wu, it's well past noon What's keeping Chen?
He must have gone a long way
He's been feeling guilty about Xing Ling's disappearance

I could tell too
Well, we can't blame him. Xing Ling does have a special aura
Xing Ling came with us...
mainly at his encouragement
Right. That's why Chan believes...
.... she might have unexpected encounters in the Celestial Zone. But now...
If anything should happen to her, Chan would feel responsible
Mt E-mei is a vast place. It's not easy to find her
He's back!

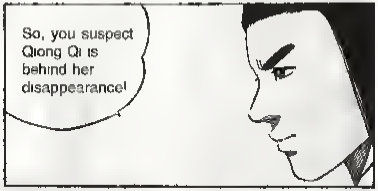
How is it?!
Chan... it seems like something has happened to Xing Ling
Pant... pant...
Chan, we'll find her...
Xue Wu, tell Chan which direction you've searched
We'll then split into three teams and look for her in all other directions
Ah!
What's the matter?

Look at that strange peak!
Huh?!
It's just like the Qiong Qi Peak as described in books!
Qiong Qi Peak? What's that?

It got its name from a strange beast by the name of Qiong Qi
There's also a Qiong Qi Sect in the Celestial Zone
Qiong Qi? What kind of beast is it?
What has it to do with Xing Ling?
I don't know... It's just a hunch...
But I hear that the Qiong Qi Sect steers clear of all struggles between good and evil in the Celestial Zone
As it has little contact with both good and evil sects few know about its existence
But with the recent rise in power of the evil realm, it seems to have changed
A few years ago three important figures from Qiong Qi have joined the evil realm!
Oh! I remember it now!
BIPP

A friend once told me about the Three Brows of Qiong Qi But I don t remember much
All I know is that Long Brow has offered his service to Xuan Hua Divine from one of the three great evil sects

Xing Ling disappeared here
And here's the Qiong Qi Sect which has joined the evil realm


So, you suspect Qiong Qi is behind her disappearance!

Right
I ll go and check it out.

Chen let Wei Qi search the peak
We ll split up and search the place
Qi be careful Though the Three Brows have gone separate ways
each of them is highly skilled
Besides they don t seem to have done evil yet
Ha! Don t worry You should know I m not the violent sort
I'll show respect If they re innocent, nothing will happen to them
Really?
Wei Qi, this beacon will act as a signal
If you find that Qiong Qi is responsible for Xing Ling's disappearance, light this and we ll come
Got it.

Qi besides the Three Brows, there's someone you must be wary of
So complicated? There's someone else too?
I hear that after Qiong Qi joined Xuan Hua Divine...
...he sent his sister Xuan Tian Crow to guard the vicinity
The notorious and ruthless Xuan Tian Crow?

This evil crow is one of the seven most powerful evil beings
Ha! Notorious and mighty this crow might be...
...If she runs into me I will eliminate her!
Qi don't underestimate her
Don't worry! I won't.
Qi, before you go I must tell you something

Senior Wu is it about the Aura of E-mei?
Yes I noticed its strong presence when I went looking for Xing Ling
I'm certain the Aura of E-mei has appeared!
Do you guys really believe in this aura?
Wei Qi what is the Aura of E mei?
Mt E-mei is believed to be the place with the strongest aura
Legend has it that every 100 years a strong mixture of yin and yang energies would take shape as a result of the accumulation of natural elements
When it reaches saturation point, it will manifest itself in a visible form and eliminate all evil creatures in the mountain!
But this aura will only exist for 72 hours After that, it will disappear without a trace and the accumulation will start all over again

It is the dream of anybody cultivating special powers to witness this strange phenomenon
This encounter might be rewarding!
But, Senior Wu sorry We must first save Xing Ling!
I understand Let's go

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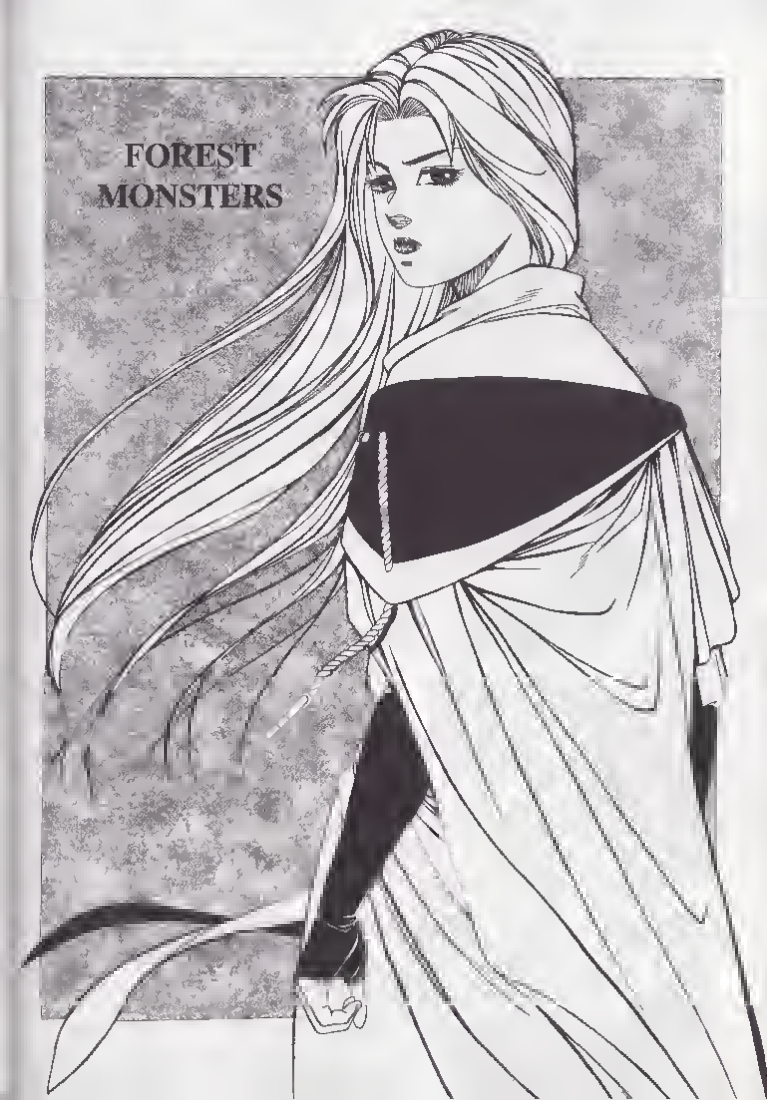
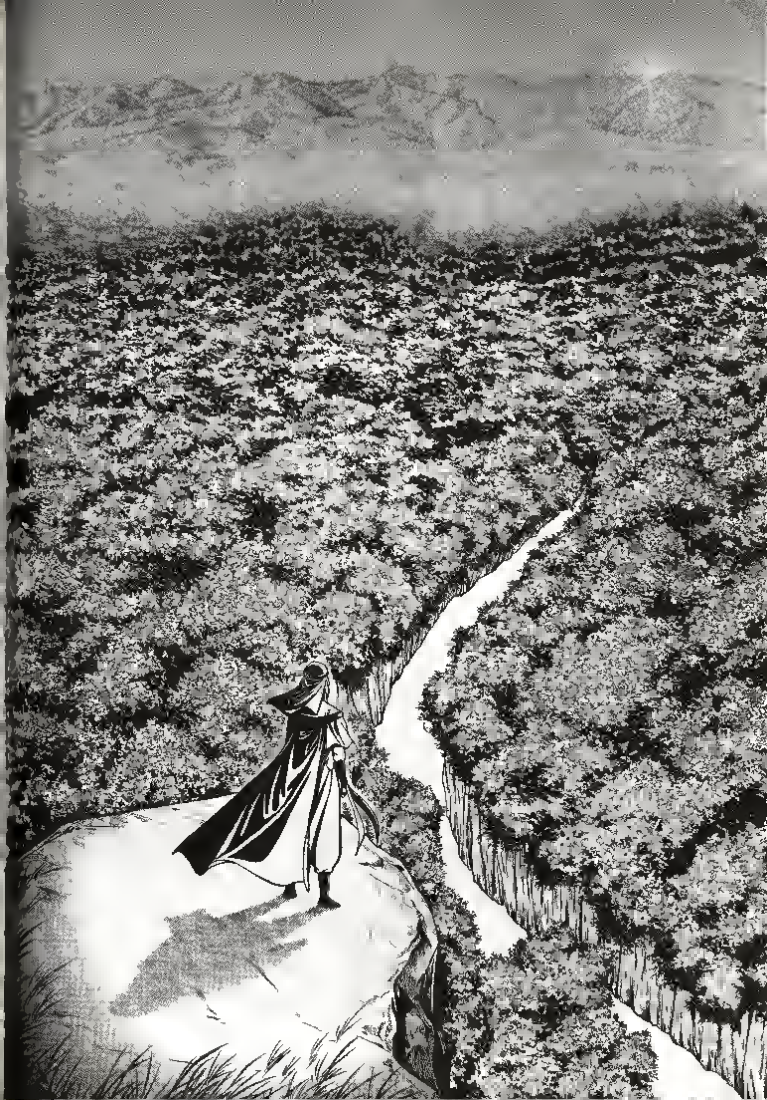
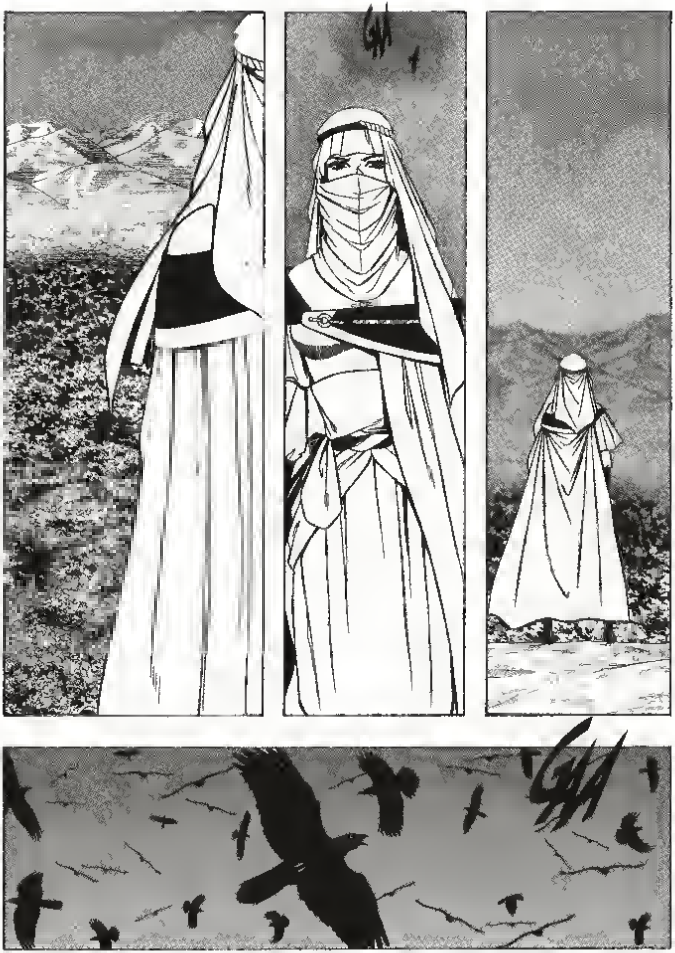

FOREST
MONSTERS

Hee, hee!
Destroyer of Evil! Though I can't outfight you...
... I have recovered!
You think you can capture me? Hey, dream on!
Ha, ha, ha, ha...





Flop
BOOM

Бзор

Blood red
Cheep cheep
Destroyer of Evil
— Chi Xue!

SHUK

Xuan Tian Crow?
Good and evil are irreconcilable. A fight is inevitable... but...
... not today!
Flap

Cheep, cheep... The Number One in the righteous realm indeed! You have not let me down.
Cheep, cheep I like you!

Ha!
Ha!
Ha!
Ha!
Ha!
Ha!
Ha!
Ha!
Ha!
Ha!

Hmm
Hmm

It is her left arm! She is confused about right and left again

Where am I?
Oh! I remember now! I fell off a cliff!
The branches cushioned my fall...
Sigh I'd better leave this place

How long was I in a coma?
I'm famished!
Ah!!

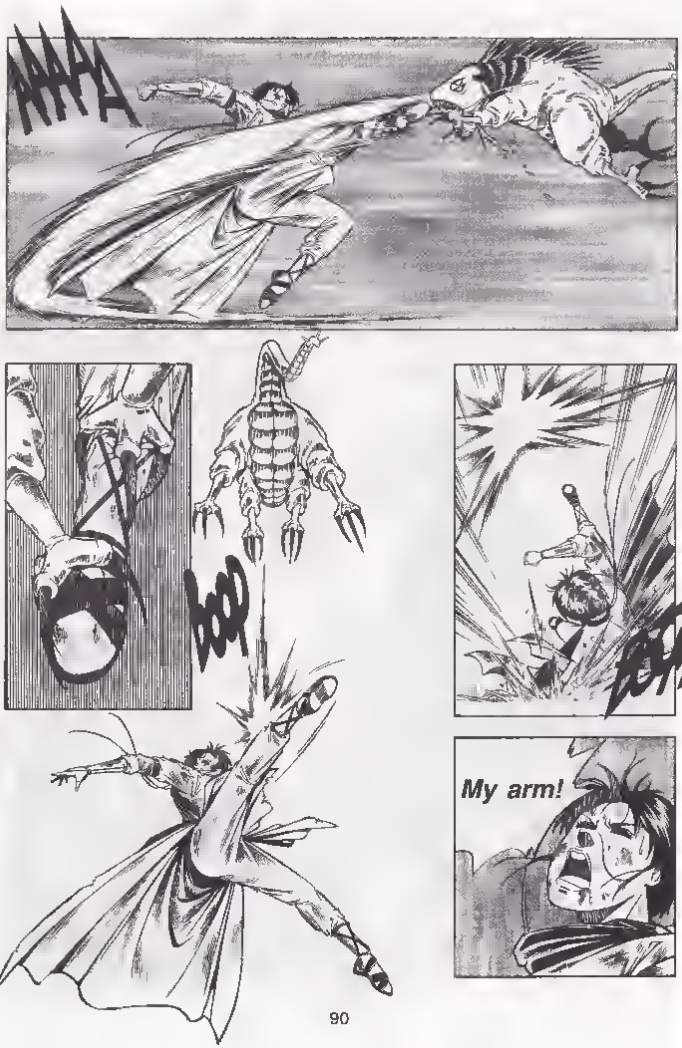
Hmm?
What is
this?

So ugly!

Flap

ARGH

WOW
SHA
THD


AAAAA
boop
boop
My arm!

BRRP
BLAM

Pant
pant

Pant... damn it could it be a forest monster*?
Argh!
Ouch! My neck is badly injured
Cough! Ouch... I can't even make a sound!
Argh... I feel as if my body is falling apart! The pain is excruciating!
And I've been splashed with blood! Yucks! It stinks!
Xing Ling! Xing Ling!
!!

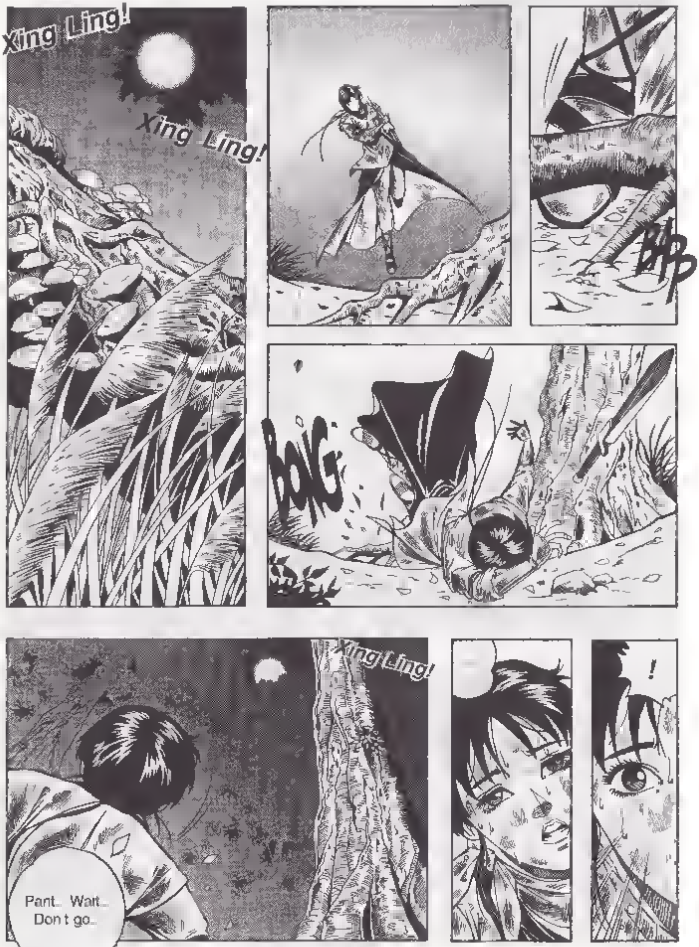
* *Legend has it that forest monsters are man-eaters residing in forests*

Xing Ling!
Xing Ling!
Wang Chan's voice!
Chan...
Argh!
Ouch ! I've lost my voice

Xing
Ling!

Pant... I must
find you

Xing
Ling!

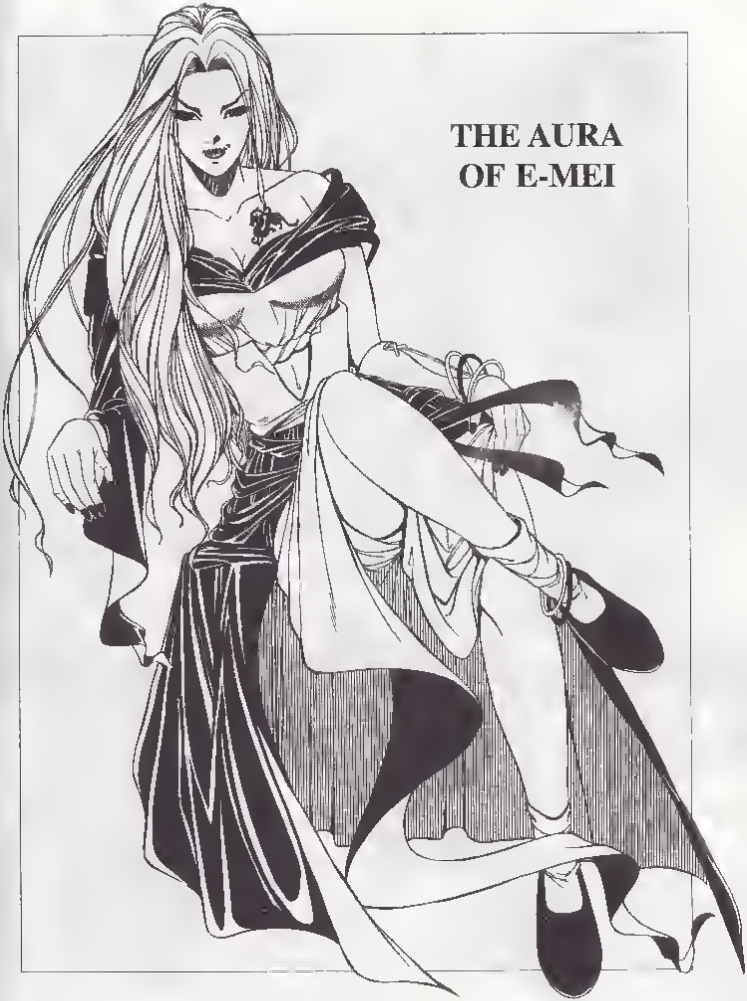

Xing Ling!
Xing Ling!
BAP
BANG
Xing Ling!
Pant... Wait... Don't go...
!

Heaven!
Please don t
do this to me!

It's actually the left arm

Are they guarding me or waiting for something?
Are they... waiting for me to collapse before they pounce on me?
Huh?
Ha! I'm "thrilled"!

Quickening


THE AURA
OF E-MEI

Gulp

HOWL

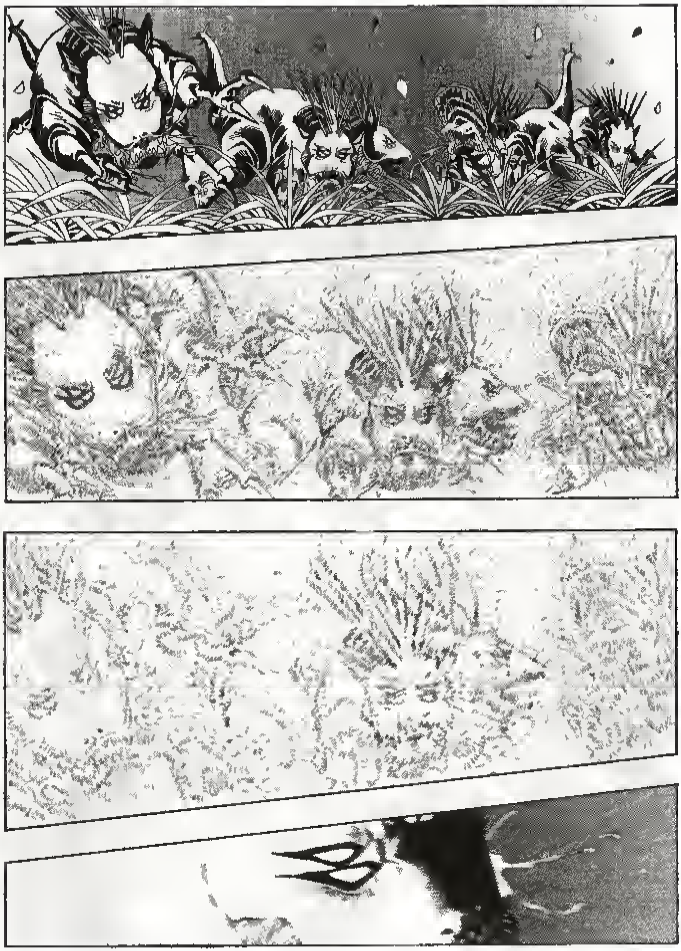
SHK
Oh no!
GRR!

HOWL
NO!

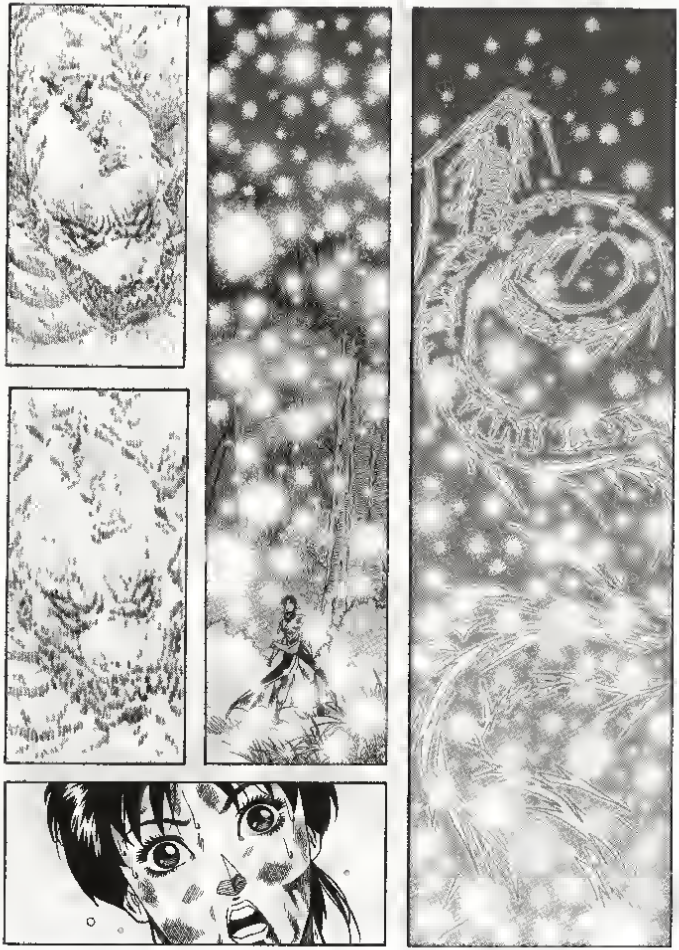
FLOP
Argh... Am I going to die here?

Boom

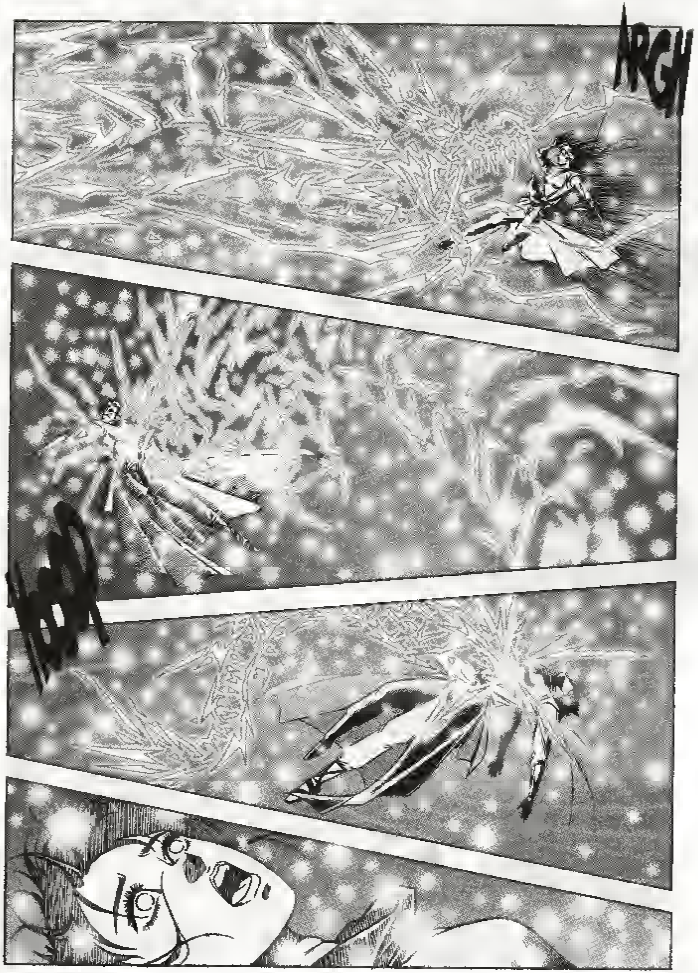
HOOP



What is this?
Hoop



AAAA
ARGH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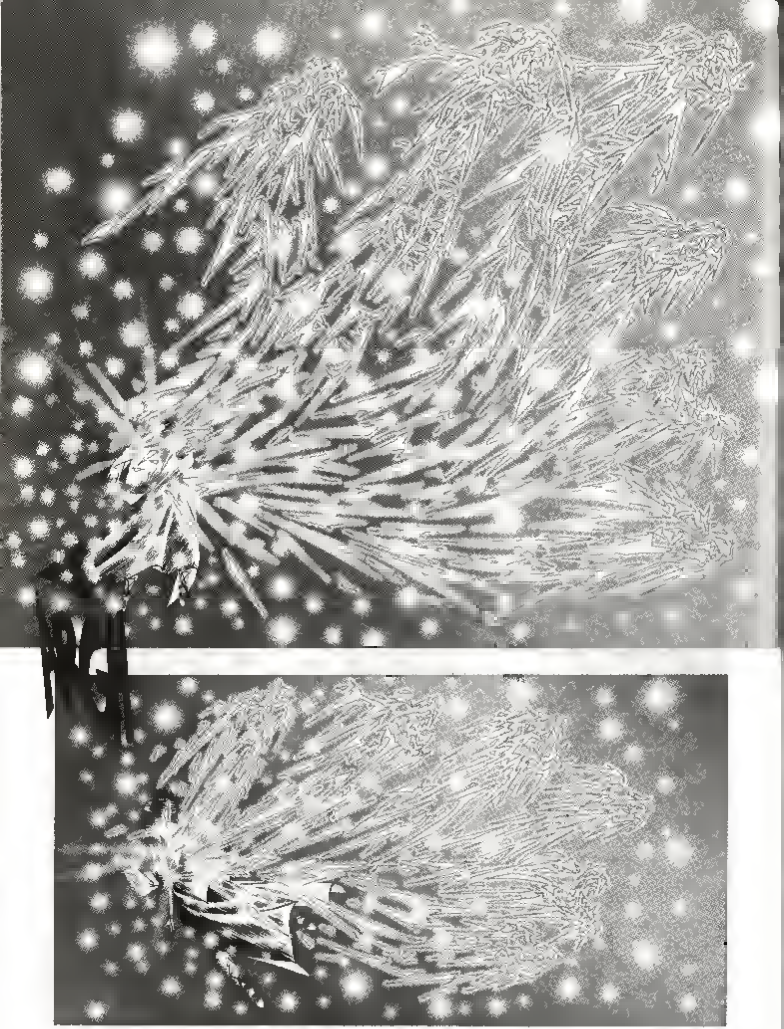
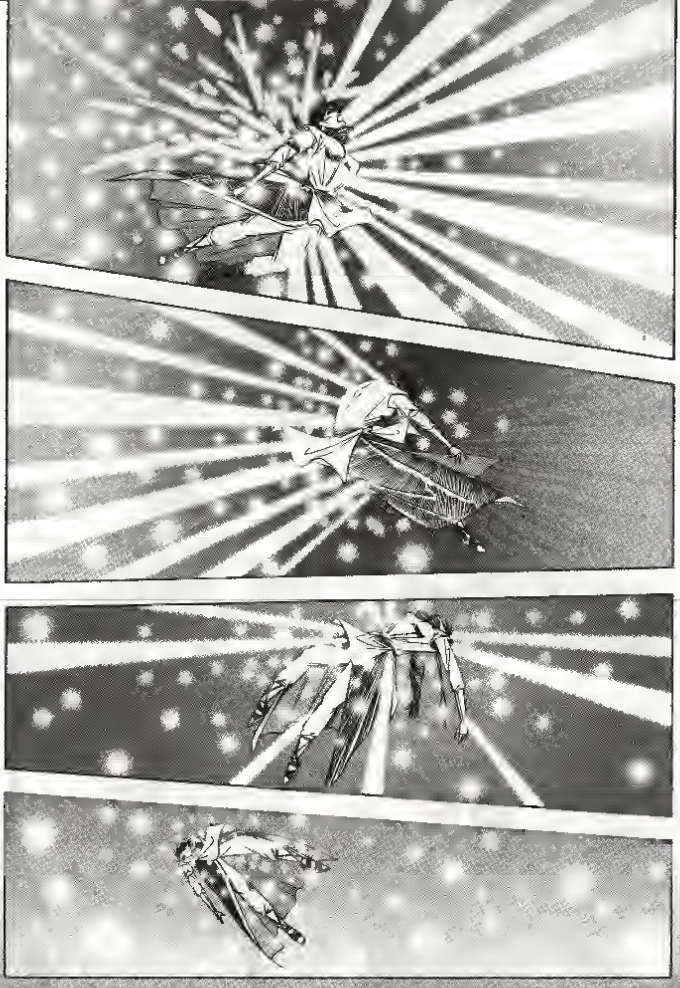
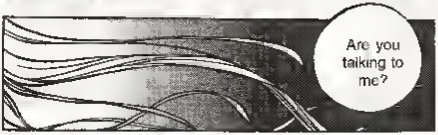
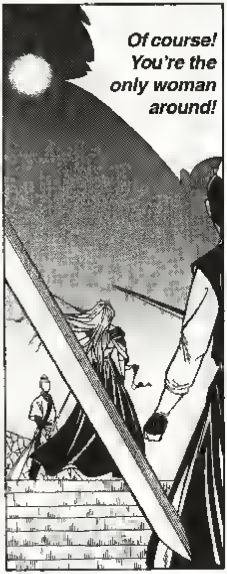




Stop there!

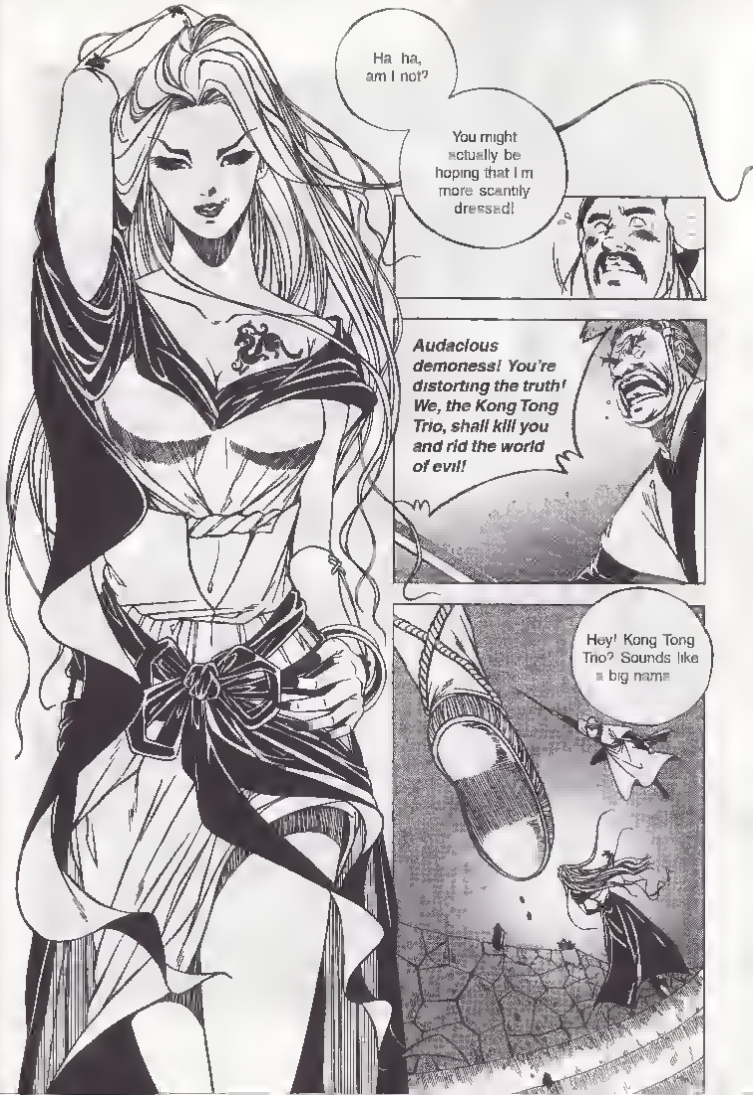
Demoness! Did you commit the 13 murders at Tian Fu Town?!
Demoness! You'd better be honest with us – the Kong Tong Trio!


Are you talking to me?


Of course! You're the only woman around!

Ha! You three are already so old. Why are you so fiery?
You call me demoness
and accuse me of murder! What proof do you have?

Demoness! We've tailed you for three days and nights.
Hey I know that So?
How dare you deny your crimes! Though I didn't witness you sucking blood from the villagers...
... you're the prime suspect in the vicinity!
Senior, I hear the Moon Sect has an envoy Jade Rabbit. It might be her
Ha! You take me for a pet rabbit? You have eyes but do not see!
Damn! From your shamelessly coquettish looks you can't be a good woman!


Ha ha, am I not?
You might actually be hoping that I'm more scantily dressed!
Audacious demoness! You're distorting the truth! We, the Kong Tong Trio, shall kill you and rid the world of evil!
Hey! Kong Tong Trio? Sounds like a big name

But big names are usually void! Ha ha!
FOOP
Watch it!
KRAKSH
AHP

bop
AAAA

There! Well? Scared now?

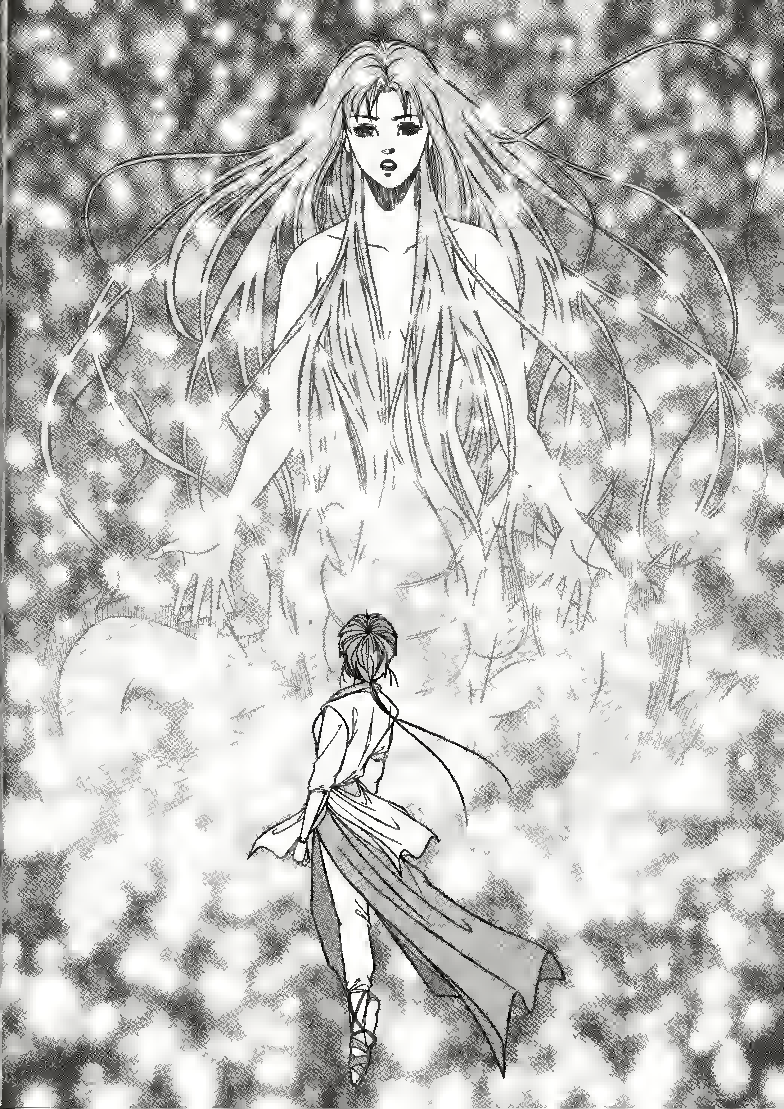
Kong Tong
Evil-destroying
Sword!
Ha! You won't
be able to
stab me!

SUCCESSIVE STRIKES!
DRG
Lousy! It can't even hurt a three-year-old kid!

Hey... the blood of scum stinks!

No wonder evil creatures are eyeing the world!

Where am I?
Why do I feel so light and weak...?
Huh...



Isn't that me?
How come... my hair has grown?
What's happening? Oh... Wait...

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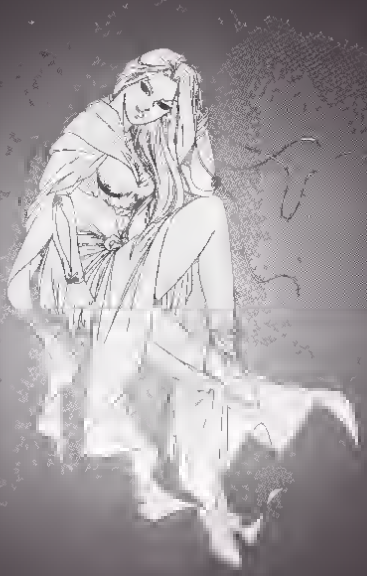

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